IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AMARILLO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	§	
ex rel. ALEX DOE, Relator,	<i>๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛</i>	
THE STATE OF TEXAS,	§	
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THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,	8 §	
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Plaintiffs,	§	
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V.	§	Civil Action No. 2:21-CV-00022-Z
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PLANNED PARENTHOOD	§	
FEDERATION OF AMERICA, INC.,	§	
PLANNED PARENTHOOD GULF	§	
COAST, INC., PLANNED	§	
PARENTHOOD OF GREATER	§	
TEXAS, INC., PLANNED	§	
PARENTHOOD SOUTH	§	
TEXAS, INC., PLANNED	§	
PARENTHOOD CAMERON	§	
COUNTY, INC., PLANNED	§	
PARENTHOOD SAN ANTONIO,	§	
INC.,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	

REPLY IN SUPPORT OF RELATOR'S JOINDER IN LOUISIANA'S MOTIONS FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Relator files this brief reply to reiterate Relator's joinder in LDH's request that the Court grant LDH's requested protective orders. Relator already explained that there was no agreement between the parties to broadly extend the discovery schedule. And the Court's order granting Defendants' motion to quash the deposition of

Melaney Linton cannot be construed as granting an extension of the schedule. Dkt. 293. Relator further notes that Defendants appear to be trying to use this to obtain a wholesale extension of the discovery period, as they have continued to attempt to serve additional discovery requests, disclosures, and produce documents after the discovery cutoff. Allowing an extension of the schedule now will thus prejudice Relator and the State, who complied with the Court's order and schedule.

It is Defendants' responsibility ensure that subpoenas to a third party are properly served. Defendants' failure to do so and to timely correct the problem should not open the door to extend the discovery deadline and allow for Defendants' other late efforts at discovery.

CONCLUSION

The Court should grant LDH's motions for protective order and decline to extend the discovery deadline.

Respectfully submitted.

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